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EDUCATIONAL SECTION OF THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION

THE section will assemble on Thursday, August 26, in the Senate House of the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, under the presidency of the Rev. H. B. Gray, D.D., Warden of Bradfield. After the president's address a discussion on moral instruction in schools will be opened by Professor L. P. Jacks, editor of the *Hibbert Journal*. He will be followed by Mr. Hugh Richardson, of the Friends' School, Bootham, York, and it is hoped that American and Canadian educationists will also take part.

On Friday, the twenty-seventh, there will be a discussion on practical work in schools, which will be opened on behalf of the sub-committee of the association which is now considering the question, by Mr. W. M. Heller, chief inspector of science work under the commissioners for elementary education in Ireland. Dr. C. W. Kimmins, vice-president of the section and chief inspector of schools under the London County Council, will contribute some account of the London Trades Schools. Miss Lilian J. Clarke, of the James Allen School, Dulwich, examiner in the University of London, will speak on practical work in girls' secondary schools, and Mr. W. Hewitt, director of technical education in Liverpool, on practical work in evening and continuation schools.

On Monday, the thirtieth, there will be a joint meeting with the Geographical Section of the association for the discussion of geography teaching. Professor R. E. Dodge, of Columbia, and Professor G. G. Chisholm, of Edinburgh, are expected to open the discussion. There will also be a discussion on the relations of universities and secondary schools, with special reference to the accrediting and examining systems.

On Tuesday the president of the section will open a discussion on education as a preparation for agricultural life, with special reference to Canadian conditions. If time permits it is also intended to discuss the subject of consolidation schools.

The committee of the section are in correspondence with educationists in Canada and

America, and they hope to arrange that each subject shall be opened by representatives of American, Canadian and British education. American educationists who may be attending the meeting of the association will be welcomed at the sectional meeting.

The local secretary for the meeting is Mr. D. M. Duncan, of the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, and the recorder is Mr. J. L. Holland, secretary for education in Northamptonshire, of Northampton, England. Offers of contributions on any of the subjects set for discussion may be made to either of these gentlemen, and will be considered by the committee of the section.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

A PORTRAIT of Dr. J. W. Mallet, professor of chemistry in the University of Virginia, has been presented to the university by his former students. It is the work of Mr. Duncan Smith, a son of Dr. Mallet's colleague and life-long friend, Professor Francis H. Smith.

SIR JOSEPH DALTON HOOKER celebrated his ninety-second birthday on June 30. His scientific career began seventy years ago, when he went out as surgeon and naturalist with Sir James Ross's Antarctic expedition.

DR. C. GORDON HEWITT, lecturer in economic zoology in the University of Manchester, has been appointed entomologist to the Dominion of Canada in succession to the late Dr. James Fletcher.

DR. E. F. NICHOLS, professor of physics at Columbia University, assumed the presidency of Dartmouth College on July 15. The formal installation will take place in October.

PROFESSOR KARL RUNGE, of the department of mathematics in the University of Göttingen, has been appointed Kaiser Wilhelm professor at Columbia University for next year.

THE Fritz Schaudinn medal for work in microbiology has been awarded to Dr. Stanislaus von Lanow, Schaudinn's successor in the Hamburg Institute for Marine and Tropical Diseases.